

**MONTROSE CHEMICAL CORPORATION OF CALIFORNIA**

AFFILIATE OF STAUFFER CHEMICAL COMPANY

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LOS ANGELES 13, CALIFORNIA

March 17, 1953

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County Sanitation District  
of Los Angeles County  
2020 Beverly Boulevard  
Los Angeles 4, California

Attention: Mr. C. R. Compton, Assistant  
Chief Engineer

Dear Mr. Compton:

Please refer to your letter of January 22, 1953, File 5-320-20-10 concerning our proposed connection to the Sanitation District's new joint outfall "D".

Please refer also to your copy of the Los Angeles Bureau of Sanitation letter to this Company dated March 3, 1953, (their file 67 - Sewer Maint.), and to the attached copy of my answer to this letter.

As pointed out in my letter to the Bureau of Sanitation, the process change made on March 13th has greatly reduced our waste disposal problem.

In about two weeks engineering work to effectively separate the contaminated waste from the uncontaminated storm waters should be completed. Although the outdoor nature of this Plant makes it necessary to drain certain areas to sewer, these will be of insignificant size compared to the areas now draining to sewer.

The process change mentioned above will allow the discontinuance of the waste sugar lime as a neutralizer, and, therefore, the use of the large volume of water for handling this material. Facilities for using sodium hydroxide at the present treating plant are being installed and the use of lime will be discontinued in about one month.

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Although it is probable that the present settling pond will be discontinued, the discharge from the pond has been gridded so as to prevent any floating material from entering the sewer.

The very great reduction in acid to be neutralized plus the use of the faster reacting and more controllable caustic solution will make it much easier to insure proper pH control of the waste entering the sewer.

Your cooperative assistance in this problem has been appreciated, and it is hoped that we will soon have a solution satisfactory to both of us.

Yours very truly,

MONTROSE CHEMICAL CORPORATION OF CALIFORNIA

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY A. R. WILCOX

A. R. Wilcox  
Plant Superintendent

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P. S. - If standard forms are available for making application for connection to the new sewer, sufficient copies would be appreciated.

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